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Dear Ma:

Please do not expect to hear from me at frequent intervals. I just don't want to be burdened with the responsibility of getting in touch at regular intervals. Please try not to worry. Remember that I carry all kinds of identification, and if anything were to happen to me you would be notified. I just want to go my own way without having to report home all the time. I want to thank you for having let me stay there so long. No one could want better parents.

Love,
Ted J.